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For : IRES FUNCTIONING IN PLANT

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114  
IN RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION OF JULY 28, 2009**

Commissioner for Patents  
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
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Sir :

In response to the Final Official Action dated July 28, 2009, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks. Inasmuch as the three-month shortened statutory period is originally set in the Office Action to expire October 28, 2009, this paper is being filed with a two-month extension of time. No additional fee is believed due at this time. However, the undersigned authorizes the charging of any requisite fee to maintain the pendency of the application and for due consideration of this response to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.